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UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE EASTERN
 DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

Dennis Michael Klein, of Kentucky, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Kentucky for the term of four years, vice John Schickel, resigned.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

UNANIMOUS CONSENT
 AGREEMENT—S. 3001

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that if the Senate receives from the House a correcting resolution to correct the enrollment of S. 3001 that is identical to the matter which is currently at the desk, then it be considered to have been agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; that if the House concurrent resolution is not identical, then this order be vitiated.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

CONVENING OF THE 111th
 CONGRESS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.J. Res. 100, convening of the 111th Congress.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The joint resolution will be stated by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A joint resolution (H.J. Res. 100) appointing the day for the convening of the first session of the One Hundred Eleventh Congress and establishing the date for the counting of the electoral votes for President and Vice President cast by the electors in December 2008.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the joint resolution.

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent the joint resolution be read three times, passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The joint resolution (H.J. Res. 100) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. LEVIN. I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Executive Calendar No. 756, that the nomination be confirmed and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, that no further motions be in order, that any statements relating to the nomination be printed in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Jeffrey Leigh Sedgwick, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, today, the Senate confirmed five more executive nominations that were reported by the Judiciary Committee, including the nomination of Greg Garre to be Solicitor General of the United States, one of the highest and most prestigious positions at the Department of Justice.

The nominations considered today also include Jeffrey Leigh Sedgwick to run the Department's Office of Justice Programs, George W. Venables to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of California, Brian Albritton to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Florida, and another that I have agreed to discharge from Committee: Dennis Michael Klein to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Kentucky. I thank Senator KENNEDY for his expedited consideration of Mr. KLEIN's nomination. He has long been focused on maintaining the qualifications of those appointed to be U.S. Marshals.

We tried as well to move forward with the President's nominations to the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board and the Sentencing Commission, but Republican holds prevented us from making progress and confirming President Bush's nominees to those important posts.

After today's confirmations, we have confirmed 40 executive nominations this Congress, including the confirmations of 13 U.S. attorneys, 9 U.S. marshals, a member of the U.S. Sentencing Commission, another Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Associate Attorney General, and Solicitor General. Eighteen of those nominations will have been confirmed this year alone, despite this being a Presidential election year.

Of course, we have considered these executive nominations while simultaneously moving forward with the confirmation of dozens of President Bush's judicial nominations. I have spoken many times about the partisan actions of the Republican-led Senate that created a judicial vacancies crisis by not considering circuit court nominees in 1996, 1997 and 1998. Those years included